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SUMMARY: CIVIL-MILITARY AVIATION PLANNING ACTIONS HAVE PROGRESSED WHERE IT MIGHT BE BETTER TO COMBINE THE PROPOSED SEPARATE JOINT WORKING GROUP MEETING WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL PANSA'S AD HOC GROUP MEETING ON THIS SUBJECT IN LATE OCTOBER. END SUMMARY.

1. CONVERSATIONS WITH VARIOUS STAFF ELEMENTS CONCERNING PROPOSAL FOR JOINING WORKING GROUP(PARA 6REFTEL) MEETING IN OCTOBER REVEAL THAT:

(A) DEFENSE PLANNING AND POLICY DIVISION HAS BLOCKED TIME IN CONFIDENTIAL

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DEPUTY SYG PANSA'S SCHEDULE FOR A MEETING OF HIS AD HOC GROUP ON MORNING 24 OCTOBER OR AFTERNOON 27 OCTOBER. THE PURPOSE OF MEETING WOULD BE TO AIR WITH AD HOC GROUP THE REPORT WHICH PANSA, ON A PERSONAL BASIS, IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING

TO NAC. I.S. PROPOSES, AND ASG HUMPHREYS, DP&P, ASSURES US, THAT, WHILE TIMING IS TIGHT, SUBSTANCE OF PANSA'S REPORT WOULD GO IN REPORT TO MINISTERS.

(B) THE DP&P STAFF IS NOT PARTICULARLY KEEN ON PROPOSED JOINING WORKING GROUP BEING BODY WHICH WOULD FORMULATE DRAFT REPORT FOR PANSA. STAFF WISHES TO RESERVE TO ITSELF THE PREPARATION OF THE REPORT. HOWEVER, THEY ACKNOWLEDGE USEFULNESS OF HAVING THE HIGH LEVEL REPRESENTATIVE ENVISIONED AS ATTENDING THE JOINING WORKING GROUP ALSO AVAILABLE TO ATTEND PANSA AD HOC GROUP MEETING.

(C) SHAPE STAFF ADVISES THEY ARE HAVING DISCUSSIONS WITH NATIONAL REPS RESPONSIBLE FOR SUBMITTING ACTUAL REINFORCEMENT AND TIME-PHASED REQUIREMENTS DATA, E.G., THEY ARE MEETING WITH EUCOM REPS DURING WEEK OF 15 SEPTEMBER, IN PREPARATION FOR ADDRESSING PART II OF SHAPE STUDY (MC-20-75). A MEETING WITH ALL CONTRIBUTING REPS (CANADA, UK AND US) IS SCHEDULED FOR 1-2 OCTOBER TO ORGANIZE INPUTS FOR PHASE II. PHASE I OF THE SHAPE STUDY HAS BEEN PUBLISHED (REF IMSM-387-75, 15 JULY 75, WITH ENCLOSURE, SHAPE 8500/18-2-3564/75, 1 JULY, NATO/SECRET) AND CONTAINS ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES WHICH ARE USEFUL FOR DISCUSSION OF THE PROBLEM BUT NOT FOR DETAILED PLANNING LEADING TO COMMITMENT OF CIVIL RESOURCES.

2. WE ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT FURTHER CLARITY IS REQUIRED IN REF MESSAGE, SPECIFICALLY CONCERNING THE INTRATHEATER PORTION OF THE CIVIL-MILITARY AVIATION PLANNING EFFORT UNDERWAY. IT IS THE USNATO VIEW THAT THE FIRST STEP IN OUR EFFORT SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO THE IMMEDIATE NEED, THAT IS--RECEPTION PLANNING; ONWARD MOVEMENT OF MEN AND EQUIPMENT; AND SUPPORT AND TURNAROUND OF AIRCRAFT. WHEN THIS PLANNING EFFORT IS WELL UNDERWAY AND REQUIREMENTS AND CAPABILITIES STUDIES HIGHLIGHT PROBLEMS AND CONSTRAINTS, ONLY THEN SHOULD PLANNING STAFFS BEGIN TO EXAMINE THE INTRA-THEATER ASPECTS OF THE PLANNING TASK. TO REFLECT THIS ASPECT MORE PRECISELY IN REFTEL, USNATO SUGGESTS THAT THE WORD "INTRA-THEATER" BE ADDED IN CONFIDENTIAL

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PARAS 2 (2) BETWEEN THE WORDS "NON-MILITARY" AND THE WORD "AIRLIFT". SIMILARLY, THE WORD "INTRA-THEATER" SHOULD BE ADDED TO PARAS 2 (3) AND (4) BETWEEN THE WORDS "NATO MISSIONS". AS AN ADDITIONAL POINT OF CLARIFICATION, IN PARA 6, THE MILITARY COMMITTEE AND THE SENIOR CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE WILL BE MAKING SEPARATE REPORTS NOT REPEAT NOT A JOINT REPORT, SINCE BOTH BODIES ARE SUPERVISING SEPARATE STUDIES WHICH ARE BEING COORDINATED, BUT WHICH WILL NOT BE JOINED UNTIL SHAPE HAS FINISHED PART II OF ITS STUDY. OVERALL, THIS DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE LIKELY UNTIL 1976.

3. IN VIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE SUMMER AND ESPECIALLY THE ONGOING CONSULTATIONS WITH NATIONAL STAFFS AT SHAPE

LEVEL, WE BELIEVE THAT THE PROPOSED JOINING WORKING GROUP
MAY NOW BE MORE USEFUL AS REINFORCEMENT TO NATIONAL REPS ON
PANSAD AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON EITHER 24 OCTOBER OR 27 OCTOBER
AS THE INTERESTED WASHINGTON AGENCIES MAY PREFER. BRUCE

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